

#### **About the Data**

Unofficial election returns are available after the polls close at 7:00 P.M. on election night. Unofficial returns will be updated throughout the night as the precincts report in. Only Fairfax County returns are available on this website. For complete unofficial district and state-wide returns, please go to the <u>Virginia Department of Elections</u> or the <u>Virginia Public Access Project (VPAP)</u>.

Official results for state offices should be available from the Virginia State Board of Elections website after the State Board of Elections meets November 23, 2015 to certify the results. Results for the local elections are certified by the Fairfax County Electoral Board and may be available as soon as November 6, 2015 on the <a href="Fairfax County Election Returns website">Fairfax County Election Returns website</a>.

## **Purpose of the Application**

This application offers a simple way for interested parties to discover unofficial election results. When you find an address or precinct (by searching by address/precinct or clicking a precinct on the map), the application will select the appropriate voting precinct and highlight it on the map. Results for relevant political contests will be presented in a series of information pods at the bottom of the application. In addition, interested parties can also click on the election results button to see a map of the precinct for any desired election race.

### **Getting the Latest Results**

When new results are posted on election night, a time stamp on the upper right of the map will reveal the time of the last unofficial results map update. The map should also automatically reflect the results for any precinct that has been recently updated.

To insure that you are viewing the latest results, you may click the "Refresh



election data" button . Alternatively, you may check the box next to "Enable autorefresh" and this will automatically download the latest available results every minute. Please be aware that if no new data is available, the time stamp will not change.

Unofficial results may also be viewed in PDF table by clicking the View Countywide Table button.

#### **Finding an Area of Interest**

There are three primary ways to identify an area of interest. You can interact directly with the map and click on a desired precinct. You can also use your current location (when enabled on your mobile device), or search for an address or precinct name.

#### **Map Based Navigation**

There are several ways to interact with the map:

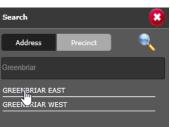
- 1. Pan across the map by holding the left-mouse button and dragging the map, or simply drag a finger across the map if using a touch device.
- 2. Zoom in and out by either rolling your mouse scroll wheel or by clicking the zoom buttons to zoom in/out

### **Searching**

The search tool an address or precinct with the search box:



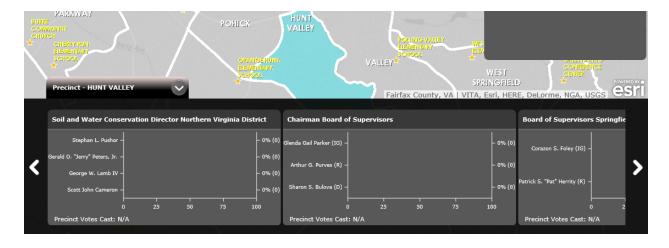
**Addresses**: Click the address button and enter the desired address (no city, state, or zip code needed) and click on the item in the list to locate the precinct that contains the address on the map.



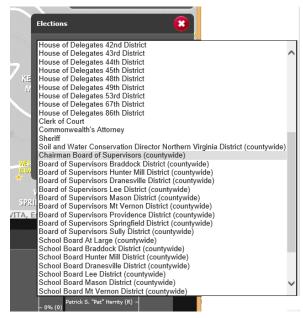
**Precincts**: Click the precinct button and enter the desired precinct name and click on the item in the list to locate the precinct on the map

#### **Election Results Information**

After searching for a respective address or precinct, the voting precinct will be highlighted on the map. At the same time, vote count and percentages for each candidate for relevant political contests will be presented as charts in information pods at the bottom of the window.



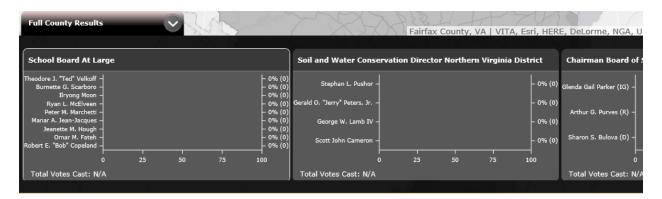
#### **Selecting an Election Race on the Map**



Using the "Election Results" button, you may select an election race to see its results on the map. All of the precincts participating in the selected race will be symbolized by who is their leading vote getter (or gray if no results have been reported yet). Please see the legend at the end of this document to find the color assigned to each candidate.

Races that are followed by the "countywide" designation are local races that take place entirely within Fairfax County jurisdiction. When any of these countywide races are selected while no precinct is selected, full county vote totals will be displayed in the information pods at the bottom of the window. To unselect a precinct to see full county

results, use the "Clear selection" button.



#### **Share Your Map**

You can click on the Share Map sutton to share your map several different ways. You can compose an email, post to your Facebook wall or post a Tweet. When you use the Facebook or Twitter links, you'll be asked to sign in to your respective account.

#### **Browser Compatibility**

The Election Results application is supported on recent versions of the following browsers: Microsoft IE, Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome, Apple Safari, iOS Safari, and Android Chrome.

#### **Map Legend**

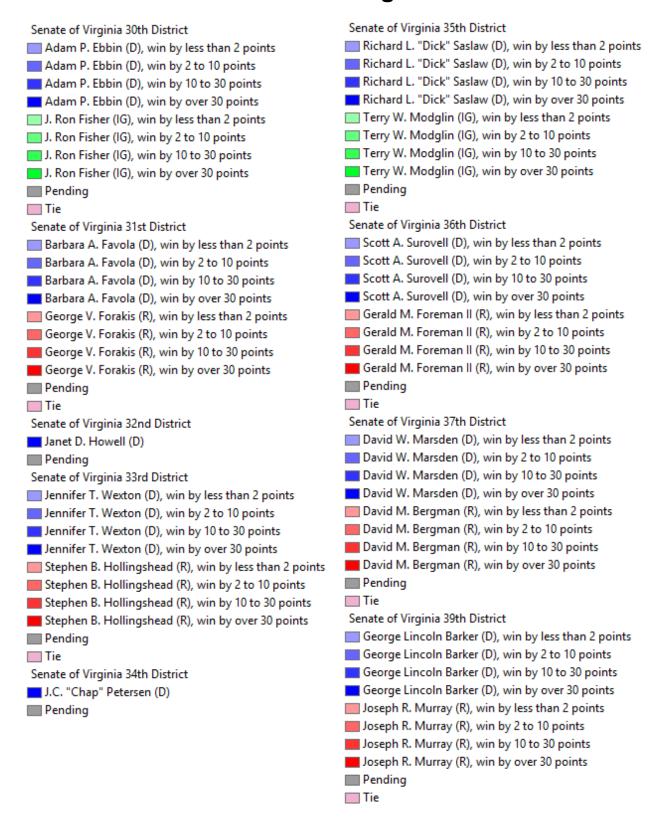
The following pages contain the map legends for all election races on November 2015 Fairfax County ballots. Each candidate is assigned a color that is used for the bar charts in the information pods as well as for the precincts on the map.

Only the color of the precinct's leading vote getter will be displayed on the map. The intensity of the color correlates to the intensity of the vote difference—muted colors show close races and bolder colors indicate where the leading candidate is ahead by many percentage points. The numbers in the legend indicate the percentage point differential.

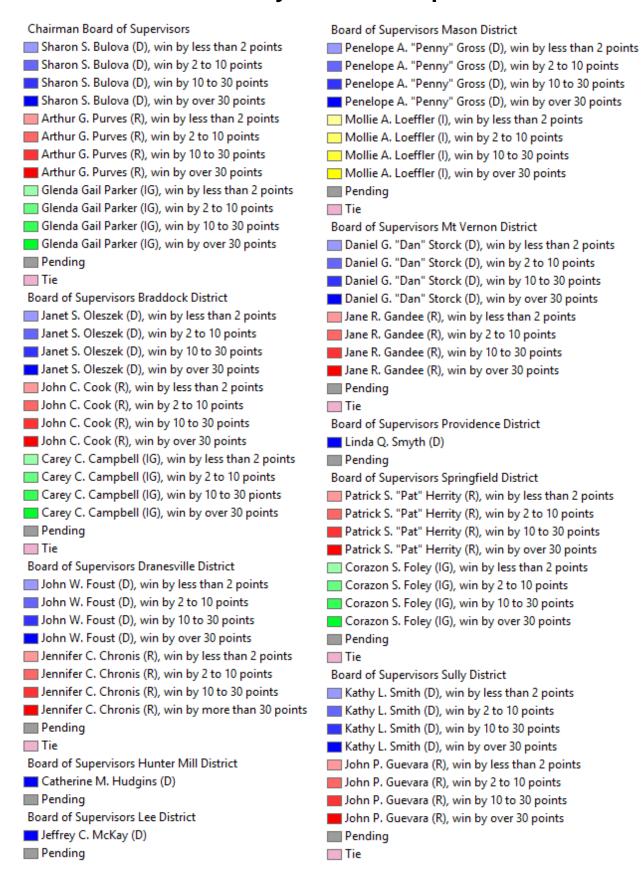
# Virginia House of Delegates



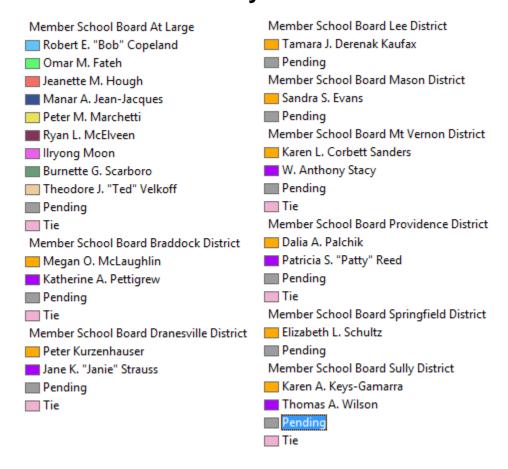
# **Senate of Virginia**



# **Fairfax County Board of Supervisors**



# **Fairfax County School Board**



### **Other Races**

